

ADULTS SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH SCRUTINY BOARD
11/03/2025 at 6.00 pm



Present: Councillor Moores (Chair)
Councillors Adams, Hurley, J. Hussain, Iqbal (Substitute),
McLaren, Rustidge and Sharp

Also in Attendance:

Cllr Brownridge	Cabinet Member For Adults, Health and Wellbeing
Jayne Ratcliffe	Director of Adult Social Services
Rebecca Fletcher	Director of Public Health
Hayley Eccles	Assistant Director of Adult Social Services
Andrew Mather	Constitutional Services

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hamblett, Ibrahim, Kouser and Malik (Councillor Iqbal substituting)

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions.

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ADULTS SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH SCRUTINY BOARD MEETING**

RESOLVED that subject to the addition of Councillor McLaren to members present at the meeting the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2025 be approved as a correct record.

6 **CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT Q3 2024/25**

The Corporate Performance Report for Q3 (1st October – 31st December 2024) was presented. Key highlights included:

- 89.2% of adult social care providers rated as 'good' or 'outstanding' by CQC, exceeding the 64% target.
- 88.4% of older people (65+) remained at home 91 days after hospital discharge, slightly below the 89% target.
- A decline in direct payment uptake, currently at 29.5% against a 40% target.
- Improvements in safeguarding, with 86% of cases reducing or removing risk.

Resolved: The report was noted, and the Board acknowledged progress while encouraging further focus on underperforming areas.

7 **ADULT SOCIAL CARE TARGET OPERATING MODEL**

A presentation was delivered by Jayne Ratcliffe, Director of Adult Social Care, and Hayley Eccles outlining the Adult Social

Care (ASC) Target Operating Model (TOM). Key points included:

- The model focuses on a strengths-based approach, emphasizing prevention, self-help, and independence.
- 77% of people receive information and advice at the ASC front door, with only 9% requiring a Care Act assessment.
- Achievements to date include:
 - o Development of the ASC Strategy (2024).
 - o Occupational Therapy support pilot at the front door.
 - o Strength-based framework co-designed with staff.
 - o Exceeding safeguarding targets, with 93% of people asked about personal outcomes.
- Financial efficiencies were projected to result in savings of £4.6 million by 2025/26.

Resolved: The Board commended the progress and endorsed the next steps outlined, including enhancing digital capabilities and improving access to mental health services.

8 **YOUNG PEOPLE'S SEXUAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE SERVICE**

Rebecca Fletcher, Director of Public Health, presented a report on the Young People's Sexual Health and substance misuse service. The report highlighted:

- The integrated service (MYNO) delivered by Early Break in partnership with HCRG Care Group and The Proud Trust.
- A 40% increase in young people accessing sexual health services.
- 250 young people engaged in structured substance misuse treatment annually, with an 84% successful completion rate.
- Collaboration with schools, youth services, and community outreach teams.

RESOLVED: The Board welcomed the progress and encouraged continued engagement with young people to further improve accessibility and awareness.

9 **WORK PROGRAMME**

The Board reviewed its work programme for 2024/25.

RESOLVED: That a workshop session on GP engagement be arranged before the end of the municipal year.

10 **KEY DECISION DOCUMENT**

The Board reviewed the Key Decision Document and noted upcoming decisions relevant to adult social care and health services.

11 **RULE 13 AND 14**

No Rule 13 or 14 decisions were reported.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 8.15 pm